

**DEPARTMENT OF MINES, MINERALS & ENERGY**  
**DIVISION OF MINERAL MINING**  
**EXCAVATION ACTIVITY EVALUATION CHART**

1. Is the excavation activity related solely to a construction or farming use on the same site as the excavation? **Yes or No**
  - a. If yes, refer to the local soil and erosion control agency.
  - b. If no, continue to Question No. 2.
  
2. What material is to be excavated?
  - a. Predominantly organic material (including topsoil, soil). **Yes or No**
    - 1) If yes, refer to the local soil and erosion control agency.
    - 2) If no, continue to b.
  - b. Is it unconsolidated mineral material? **Yes or No**
  - c. Is it consolidated mineral material? **Yes or No**
  - d. If yes to either b or c, continue to Question No. 3.
  
3. Will mineral be processed, either on or off site before use? **Yes or No**
  - a. If yes, a DMM permit will be required for this activity.
  - b. If no, continue to Question No. 4.
  
4. Will the mineral be used as fill. **Yes or No.**
  - a. If no, a DMM permit will be required for this activity.
  - b. If yes, the answer the following questions.
    - 1) Will fill be used on-site or adjacent to the excavation? **Yes or No**
      - a) If yes, refer to the local soil and erosion control agency.
      - b) If no, continue to next question.
    - 2) Will fill be used by the operator? **Yes or No**
      - a) If no, a DMM permit will be required for this activity.
      - b) If yes, continue to next question.
    - 3) Will fill material be sold or exchanged? **Yes or No**
      - a) If yes, a DMM permit will be required for this activity.
      - b) If no, continue to Question No. 5
  
5. Is excavation activity planned to operate only one-time or only intermittently?  
**Yes or No.**
  - a. If yes, refer to the local soil and erosion control agency.
  - b. If no, refer to the DMM OMT for further analysis